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SUBJ: US-USSR AGREEMENT ON AGRICULTURAL COOPERATION: SPRING
WHEAT TEAM.

1. SPRING WHEATTEAM MEMBERS ARE: KEITH SEVERIN, AGRI-CULTURAL ECONOMIST, GRAIN AND FEED DIVISION, FOREIGN COMMODITY ANALYSIS, FAS, USDA; ARTHUR F. SHAW, EXTENSION AGRONOMIST, MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY, BOZEMAN, MONTANA; HUGH J. MCDONALD, EXTENSION MARKETING ECONOMIST, NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, FARO, NORTH DAKOTA.

2. TEAM OBJECTIVES: STUDY ECONOMIC ASPECTS OF PRODUCTION OF SPRING WHEAT. TEAM MEMBERS TO CONCENTRATE ON VIEWING CURRENT SPRING GRAIN CROPS IN GROWING STAGES AND DISCUSSIONS WITH PRODUCERS AND OTHER QUALIFIED PERSONS IN ORDER TO ASSESS LIKELIHOOD OF NORMAL HARVEST OUTURNS.

3. DATES FOR TEAM VISIT ARE JULY 21-AUGUST 8, 1975. PRO-
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POSED ITINERARY FOR VISITING AREAS OUTSIDE OF MOSCOW IS:

ORENBURG OBLAST
KUSTANAY OBLAST
TSELINOGRAD OBLAST AND ALL-UNION GRAIN RESEARCH INSTITUTE
AT SHORTHANDY.
BARNAUL AND THE ALTAY KRAY

TEAM DESIRES VISITS TO LOCALITIES BE ARRANGED IN ABOVE ORDER--
WEST TO EAST. TO HELP PUT THIS ITINERARY INTO PERSPECTIVE,
TEAM WOULD ALSO FIND IT DESIRABLE TO MEET WITH SPECIALISTS
IN THE MINISTRIES OF PROCUREMENT AND AGRICULTURE IN MOSCOW.

5. WE HOPE THAT PROPOSED ITINERARY WILL BE ACCEPTED AND
THAT IT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED WITH EFFICIENT SCHEDULING OF TRAVEL
AND VISITS TO AVOID UNNECESSARY TIME LOSS.

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